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SUBJECT: CZECHOSLOVAK FOREIGN MINISTER'S INTERVIEW ON 29TH UNGA

1. CZECHOSLOVAK FOREIGN MINISTER BOHUSLAV CHNOUPEK PROVIDED CZECHOSLOVAK NEWS AGENCY (CTK) WITH INTERVIEW SEPTEMBER 20 IN WHICH HE GAVE HIS VIEWS ON FORTHCOMING UNGA. MOST OF HIS COMMENTS UNDERLINED MAIN THESIS THAT UNGA WOULD HELP RELAX INTERNATIONAL TENSIONS. HE CHARACTERIZED POSSIBILITIES FOR RESOLVING MAJOR WORLD PROBLEMS IN TERMS OF "NEW POLITICAL ATMOSPHEREA WHICH HAS EVOLVED FROM SOVIET AND OTHER SOCIALIST COUNTRIES' EFFORTS.

2. LISTING DISARMANENT AS ONE OF PRIORITY MATTERS FOR UNGA ATTENTION, CHNOUPEK SPECIFIED SOVIET PROPOSALS FOR REDUCTION OF MILITARY BUDGET OF SECURITY COUNCIL MEMBERS AND FOR BAN ON USE OF CLIMATE AND ENVIRONMENT FOR MILITARY PURPOSES.

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CZECHOSLOVAK, THE MINISTER SAID, WOULD FULLY SUPPORT THESE SOVIET MOVES.

3. PREDICTABLE HOMAGE WAS PAID BY CHNOUPEK TO NEED FOR UNGA TO CONSIDER STRENGTHENING INTERNATIONAL SECURITY, SECURE PEACEFUL RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES, AND LIQUIDATE "REMNANTS OF COLONIALISM" INCLUDING "ECONOMIC DECLONIZATION". CZECHOSLOVAKIA WOULD BACK "THE RIGHTFUL DEMANDS OF THE ARABS" IN ORDER TO PROVIDE IMPETUS TOWARDS SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME OF GENEVA CONFERENCE. CHNOUPEK ADDED THAT CZECHOSLOVAKIA FULLY SUPPORTED SOVIET PROPOSAL FOR INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON CYPRUS.

4. REFERRING TO BILATERAL MATTERS HE WOULD TAKE UP WHILE IN NEW YORK, CHNOUPEK INCLUDED TALKS WITH SECRETARY KISSINGER AND THE FOREIGN MINISTERS OF AUSTRIA, FRANCE, PERU AND ARGENTINA. HE ALSO ANNOUNCED PLANS, TOGETHER WITH PHILIPPINE FOREIGN MINISTER ROMULO, TO SIGN CSSR-PHILIPPINE CULTURAL AGREEMENT WHILE THERE.
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